

REMARKS

Applicants appreciate the indication that Claims 13, 14, 16-23, and 25-30 are allowed.

The application is thus in condition for allowance except for the following formal matters:

The Examiner requires the specification to be amended to refer to the drawings.

Applicants amend the specification by insertion of paragraph [0024a].

Furthermore, in the specification of March 1, 2004, the reference to specific claims in Paragraphs 1 and 6 must be deleted in accordance with US practice.

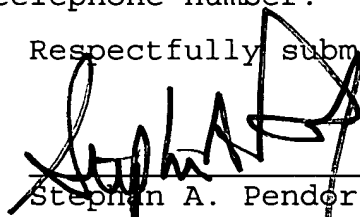
Applicants amend the specification as required.

The Examiner has approved the drawings of December 14, 2004.

Claims 13, 14, 16-23, and 25-30 are allowed.

Accordingly, early issuance of the Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested. Should the Examiner have any further questions or comments, he is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the indicated telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,



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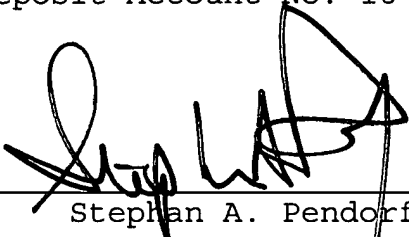
U.S. Application No. 10/790,387
AMENDMENT C

Attorney Docket No.: 3926.071

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING AND AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE

I hereby certify that the foregoing **AMENDMENT C** for U.S. Application No. 10/790,387 filed March 1, 2004, was deposited in first class U.S. mail, with sufficient postage, addressed to Mail Stop: Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on **October 4, 2005**.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required at any time during the prosecution of this application without specific authorization, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 16-0877.



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